

To Brisbane, Queensland, 22 February, 1883—57 days

Paid ½ oz. letter rate from Stirling, Scotland via Brindisi. Stirling flexible dial dater four bar obliterator 308 on 6d large overprinted six pence single. 20 April, Brisbane.



To Bathurst, New South Wales, 22 April, 1864—46 days

Paid ½ oz. letter rate from Wick, Scotland via Marseille. Manuscript, "via Marseilles, post paid" Paid at 10d rate, 4d additional for Marseille routing, no time saved: 25 April, London transit, 5 June Sydney, 7 June Bathurst receipt.

Wick, Scotland (above) is the farthest northern tip of Scotland, a windswept area with a tiny population diminished by migration.

From 1840-1856 ship rates were 1/- plus inland rate to destination only.

## **Experimental Toulmin Packet Service**

1/- paid 1/6 due



To Melbourne, 17 June, 1847—149 days

1/- paid to Falmouth from Arbroath, Scotland. Packet rate unpaid per sailing ship *Trafalgar* Sydney rated on receipt, 1/6 due: 1/3 inland and 3d ship. 18 June Edinburgh, 1 July Falmouth, 3 November Sydney, 11 November Melbourne.

## Toulmin packet letter from early sailing of this experimental service.

Contracted to provide the first scheduled packet service to Australia via Cape of Good Hope, migrants Henry and Calvet Toulmin operated the short lived, intermittent and unreliable Toulmin Packet service, 1844 until March, 1849.



Sanquhar, 25 September, 1878—39 days

Paid letter (2 x 4d Sage Green) to Glenely, tied by two strikes of 13 bar 303 Sanquhar obliterator. Routing via Brindisi. 2 November, Adelaide receiver, 3 November Glenely.

Limited mail is found to South Australia because of low population, fewer migrants came to South Australia from Scotland.



9d paid

To Melbourne, 24 May, 1861—39 days

Paid letter from Creiff via Marseilles. Creiff located in the upper Scottish Highlands. 24 May Comrie transit, 25 May, London, 2 July Melbourne receipt.

Addressee George Haig, Bristol Campbell company, ship brokers in Melbourne.

Paid letter from Dundee routing via Marseilles 25 March, Auckland.

South Island Otago province, as addressed, was abolished in 1876, later New Munster.



To Dunedin, Otago province, 8 October, 1879-59 days

Letter sent in 1879, the ending year of this exhibit—and when the Universal Postal Union was confirmed.

1/- paid

## North Island: Auckland



To Auckland, New Zealand, 25 January, 1862-59 days

Paid letter from Edinburgh via Marseilles, Experimental staggered bar obliterator with \*131\* indication of mail put in at an Edinburgh receiving office, 25 March, Auckland.

As a result of Scottish settlements, today, over 30% of the non-Maori population of New Zealand is of Scottish lineage.

Paid letter (2½d x 2 and 1d)
Kirkwall to Victoria received 22 December.



To Victoria, 10 November, 1884—42 days

